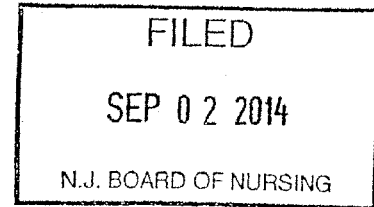


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE	:	
OF	:	
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ARLENE DOSHI, R.N.	:	CONSENT ORDER
LICENSE # 26NR05144800	:	
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TO PRACTICE AS A REGISTERED	:	
NURSE IN THE	:	
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of a medical malpractice payment report indicating that a \$450,000 judgment had been paid out by St. Barnabas Medical Center on behalf of respondent for care provided to a newborn male infant, S.D., on August 12, 2006. The infant was born at 12:11 a.m. and at 12:50 a.m. he was transferred to the admitting nursery. At 6:15 a.m. the neonatologist evaluated S.D. for discolored testicles and he was

transferred to the NICU. S.D. was operated on for bilateral testicular torsion, but the testicles were not salvageable and were removed; S.D. will not be fertile.

According to respondent's sworn testimony, the discoloration of S.D.'s scrotum was evident in the admission nursery when S.D. arrived there. Respondent, the primary nurse for S.D., indicated that she brought the problem to the attention of the charge nurse, who spoke with the neonatologist by telephone. The neonatologist indicated that she would not see S.D., as she had seen the infant in the delivery room, and told the nurses that they should call the pediatric attending physician if they wanted the infant to be seen by a physician. The call to the pediatrician was not made, and S.D. was not evaluated by a physician for the discoloration until 6:15 a.m.

The Board finds that salvaging torsioned testicles is extremely time-critical, and respondent's failure to contact the pediatrician as respondent admits the nurses were advised, so that more than a five hour delay resulted before the signs of torsion were evaluated by a physician, constituted professional misconduct in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

The parties desiring to resolve this matter without further proceedings and without admissions, respondent having advised that she is retired from the practice of nursing and that her

license is currently in inactive status, and the Board finding that the within order is sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS ^{2nd} ~~26th~~ DAY OF ~~August~~ ^{September}, 2014

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. A reprimand is hereby imposed for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).
2. Respondent hereby agrees that her nursing license shall be placed in inactive status.
3. In the event that respondent decides to resume nursing practice, ending her current status of retirement, and prior to placing her license in active status, respondent shall document successful completion of a continuing education course in assessment of the newborn, with a clinical component, pre-approved by the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Patricia Murphy PhD APN
Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN, C
Board President

I have read and understand the
Within Consent Order and
agree to be bound by its terms.

Arlene M. Doshi
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